

The Seed

Seeds of Wisdom from the Office

Upcoming Events

Fri, 5/7 7th and 8th grade Musical 7pm

(7/8 students need to arrive by 6:30)

Mon, 5/10 8th Grade Class Trip to Washington State

Wed-Fri, 5/12-14 5th Grade Pentathlon in Flagstaff

Thurs, 5/13 Desert Marigold - An imaginative presentation of the unique qualities of this place 6:30pm

Sat, 5/15 Board Meeting 8:30am

Sun, 5/16 Garden Workday 8am

Thurs, 5/20 Rubios Fundraiser Dinner

Fri, 5/21 8th Grade returns

Sun, 5/23 Garden Workday 8am

Mon, 5/24 End of Year Concert

Mon, 5/31 No School Memorial Day

Wed-Thur, 6/2-3 ½ Days all students

Thurs, 6/3 Last Day of School

Fri, 6/4 8th grade graduation



Please feel free to drop by the office and read our Community Bulletin Board where you will find details about all community events and other local events of interest not listed here in the Seed.

Announcements

Friday May 14th is Desert Marigold's birthday!

All of the classes on campus will be gathering on Friday, May 14th to honor the school. The teachers and each child will create a "prayer flags" with hopes, wishes, blessings, and prayers for our school.

We invite your participation! Supplies for parents to create a flag are available. Look for a basket on the front Kindergarten patio. The basket will be on the patio until Thursday, May 13th. Please bring your finished flag to the Starflower Kindergarten room (Miss Emily and Miss Deb) by Thursday May 13th at Noon.

Questions?? Please see Susan Rose, Pax Piper, or Emily Tanner.

THANK YOU!!!

Calling all parent volunteers

If you have a few hours to spare and are looking for a fun, rewarding way to spend them, please consider joining Luis Camacho and Steven Pawlo from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday through Friday through the end of the school year. We are getting close to finishing our construction project and have several projects remaining that lend themselves well to volunteer participation. These include cleaning and sealing floors, setting the curbing for the parking grove, planting, painting the barn and other such things.

If you know you are going to come, please call the RSVP to the office so Luis and Steve know to expect you. But spontaneity works too, so feel free to just drop by the office and we'll point you in the direction of the fun. Be sure to bring a hat and water bottle and to wear sturdy shoes. Thank you!

Gratitudes:

Thank you to everyone who contributed to and/or joined us for the May First Community Day. We rolled up our sleeves to plant a few trees, work in the memorial garden, and paint the barn. From a generous bounty of flowers, greenery, tape & wire, and ribbon children and adults made beautiful May crowns. Miss Emily led us in joyful dances around the may pole. Afterward, we gathered together for the potluck brunch. Many children enjoyed potter painting with Kelly and the eighth grade sold freshly popped popcorn and new DMS t-shirts. It was altogether it was a delightful day.

Colleen Pope

Animal Care

Thanks once again to all who helped with After School Muck Out this week. It is so rewarding to have children come to me and ask when the next muck out will be! Slowly, this program is teaching reward through good work, and I am thrilled to be witnessing this process. Our next muck out will be on JUNE 2, 2010 (Wednesday) 1:00 – 2:30pm. This is the second to last day of school and everyone has a half day. It is my hope that a few 7th, 8th, and 9th graders will join in the fun. Because this is our last muck out of the school year, it is important that we try to get the barnyard as clean as possible. We are always limited by wheelbarrows, so if anyone can drop of a wheelbarrow for us to borrow for the day or, better yet, have one to donate, we would be in endless appreciation!

This week, the fourth graders moved the chicks to the chicken coop! (Pictures next week!) The chicks are now about 5 weeks old and they are ready to be out in the fresh air. They will be living in a brood enclosure in the main coop until all of the adult hens and chicks learn to get along. This is a great start to our new flock of chickens that will be providing our community farmer's market with fresh eggs next fall!

As we approach the end of the school year, we need help in Animal Care with regular feeding and bedding down of our animals. If you children are attending any of the summer camps and you will be dropping off in the morning or picking up in the afternoon, perhaps you might be able to help us out! If you would like to help in any capacity, please contact Amy Weibel (Baker) at 602.237.2186 (home) or 602.373.6344 (cell) or acweibel@msn.com.

"Desert Marigold School": An imaginative presentation of the unique qualities of this place

Presented by: Stephanie Hoelscher, Amy Bird, Joan Treadaway and friends

Thursday evening, May 13

6:30 - 8 p.m.

In the garden shelter

Adults only

For the past several months, a small study group has been meeting regularly and asking questions like these: What are the effects upon us of the geographical region where we live? How is geography an expression of living forces and how can we become aware of these forces in our daily tasks as striving human beings? What is unique about this place where we have come together?

As a foundation for a meaningful exploration of these questions we have studied the geology, climate, plants, animals, and human history of our region. On Thursday evening, May 13, we will be offering an imaginative presentation of some of the unique qualities of the geography of this place where we work and learn together daily. We would welcome your presence and participation.

If you have any questions, please contact Stephanie at sehoelscher@earthlink.net. There will be no onsite childcare for this event.

On the chilled tray the body lay,
Its skin damp and Pepto Bismol pink.
The students eyes widened in surprise.
Pink flesh was removed to show inside.
Heart, liver, brain and more were passed,
Each hand feeling the rubbery substances.
Some quiet, others very enthusiastic.
At the end the students participating or not,
Had an experience that shall not be forgot.

Bethany Coady, 9th grade



“On Saturday we celebrated May 1st at DMS. When we arrived people were doing all different kinds of things. Some people were painting ceramics, others were digging or painting the barn. In the kindergarten yard people were making flower crowns, buying school shirts, popcorn or black and white photos. The weather was perfect for a Mayday dance. Ms. Bird and Ms Penneau and her children played the recorder while people walked the Maypole. At lunch time we all ate together and drank lemonade. It was a sweet morning at DMS.”

-Satarshan Khalsa 4th grade

